

*Determinate Commitments: Juvenile courts can send youth to TJJD with specific sentences, which can be for up to 40 years. State law requires a minimum period of confinement in a residential placement.

*Indeterminate Commitments: A youth with an indeterminate commitment may remain in TJJD custody until his or her 19th birthday unless the youth qualifies for early release or discharge. When the youth arrives at TJJD, he or she is given a minimum length of stay, which is a minimum period of time the youth must remain in residence.

*Texas Juvenile Justice Department. (2019). Retrieved from https://www.tjjd.texas.gov/index.php/juvenilesystem#indeterminate-commitments









